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Applicant: Franz P. ARMBRUSTER et al. Conf.: 9282
Appl. No.: 09/720,338 Group: 1616
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For: FUNCTIONAL VITAMIN D DERIVATIVES AND METHOD OF
DETERMINING 25-HYDROXY-AND 1α , 25-DIHYDROXY
VITAMIN D

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

February 25, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of October 30, 2002, the period for response having been extended one (1) month to February 28, 2003, the following amendments and remarks are submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

The claims have been amended as follows:

21. (Amended) Method for the quantitative detection of 25-hydroxy- or $1\alpha,25$ -dihydroxy vitamin D metabolite in a sample, characterized in that a vitamin D derivative is obtained with a

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